

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 5 OF 2014

WHEREAS, across the Country "National Library Week" and also "The Week of the Young Child" will be celebrated during April 2014; and

WHEREAS, April, therefore, is an excellent time to raise awareness about the importance of early literacy skills and reading often to children; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Commonwealth Libraries in collaboration with other agencies is continuing the nationally recognized literacy initiative "Pennsylvania – One Book, Every Young Child", now in its ninth year, to also promote and raise awareness of the importance of early literacy; and

WHEREAS, "One Book – One State" became the model and vehicle for involving adults in interactive reading with young children; and

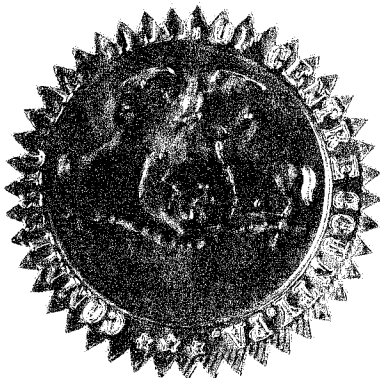
WHEREAS, the book "Stripes of All Types!" by author and illustrator Susan Stockdale will be read to children across Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Commonwealth Libraries will provide all 630 public libraries and outlets with "Stripes of All Types!" in hopes of touching the life of "every young child" in the state; and

WHEREAS, a coalition of agencies across the County, including libraries, childcare groups, and service organizations have joined together to promote the importance of early literacy activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of **April 2014** as "**Books of All Types Month**" to reflect our commitment to sharing books with children and urges everyone to participate in this critically important initiative by reading to a young child now and often.

ADOPTED this 8th day of April, 2014.



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